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Tuesday, July 22, 2014

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Western Review Staff

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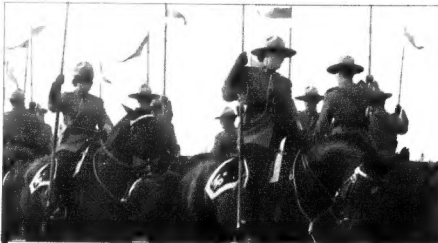
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RCMP RIDES IN SUPPORT OF CT4DV



Merritt Latta Western Review
The RCMP Musical Ride put on a show for about 2,500 people who were at the Lions Rodeo Grounds last week raising money for the CT4DV Campaign. Before a sea of red serge took the field trick riding team Yung Gunz wowed the crowds with their stunts. See pictures of the Young Gunz on page 30.



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LIBRARY:

SUMMER READING PROGRAMS:

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The Drayton Valley Municipal Library is hosting the annual 5-week

program for ages 3-12 at the Rotary

Children's branch. There will also be

programming for the whole family,

including movie nights, story time,

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New this year will be book clubs for

ages 6-12 (Charlotte's Web) and 12+

(John Green, the author of the Fault in

Our Stars) for the avid reader in your

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visits in Tomahawk, Rocky Rapids,

Berrymoor, and Violet Grove.

Drop by the Main Branch or Rotary

Children's Library to sign up or call

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Thursday July 24 at 1:00 pm

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Upcoming Classes: July 14 & 21,

Sept. 15 & 22 & Nov. 17 & 24

For more information or to register

please contact Emily at 780-514-2206

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

• Public Works-Parks Lead Hand

• Engineering Project Manager

• Utility Operator 1

Information on Town Employment

Opportunities can be found in the

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Upcoming Council Meetings

Regular meeting of Town Council

Wednesday, August 6, 2014

Council Chambers

Town Office • 9:00 a.m.

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July 21 - 25, July 28 - August 1
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August 5 - August 8
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August 11 - August 15
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including boulevards and rights of ways or at intersections.

Signs can only be placed on private property, with

permission of the owners, and must be removed within

72 hrs. of being erected. Signs can be posted at the

Community Bulletin board located at the North

recycling area on Industrial Rd.

TRUCKS

Must that is involved from an employer is the responsibility

of the individual or company that has trucked it.

Individuals or the company are asked to clean up

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the area clean and safe for everyone.

For more information please contact

Gayle at 780-514-2257.

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Did You Know?

The Town of Drayton Valley has grant opportunities

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We are currently accepting applications for the

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This grant is for youth competing in Western Canadian,

national or international competitions.

For more information please contact

Jennifer at 780-514-2214

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SHINNY PRACTICE

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• Must have full equipment

SHINNY GAME

• Age 13 - 18 - Cost: \$4 (Reflexion or \$20 (Hockey)

• Must have full equipment

MORNING AND NOON HOCKEY

• Age 19 and over - Cost: \$5 (Reflexion or \$77 (Hockey)

• This time slot is for the purpose of a hockey game

• Must have full equipment

PUBLIC SKATING

• All ages - Cost: FREE

• This time slot is for the purpose of skating only

• Please follow the Ice Skating Rules directed by the Operators.

• Rules are posted in Orem if it is available at the Front Desk

AUGUST SKATING TIMES

Kids Skate / 9:30-10:30am

Dates not available

Shinny Practice / 12:00-1:00pm

Dates not available

Shinny Game / 1:00-2:00pm

Dates not available

Morning Hockey / 5:15-7:30am

Wednesday, August 20 • 6:15-7:30am

Wednesday, August 27 • 6:15-7:30am

Noon Hockey / 12:00-1:30pm

Dates not available

Public Skating

Sunday August 17 • 5:00-6:15pm

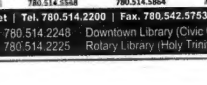
Sunday August 24 • 5:00-6:15pm

Sunday August 31 • 5:00-6:15pm

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DV welcomes sea of serge

RCMP Musical Ride was in Drayton Valley raising money for CT4DV campaign

Mamta Luthi
Western Review

The RCMP members in their red serge atop their black horses made a striking tableau as they entered the Lions Rodeo Grounds in front of approximately 2,500 spectators last Wednesday for the RCMP Musical Ride.

After wrapping up a number of performances at the Calgary Stampede the Musical Ride was brought to Drayton Valley by the Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation in support of its CT4DV campaign to purchase a CT scanner for the Drayton Valley Hospital.

After trick riding team Young Guns got the audience warmed up with their skill and daring, the members of the Musical Ride garnered applause as they showed off their own skill and training in the series of formations that make up the performance. The crowd was on its feet as the ride reached its conclusion.

As a fundraiser the event pulled in about \$40,000 for the campaign, said Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation Fund Development Officer Colleen Sekars.

Earlier in the day the public had the chance to visit with horses and their riders at the

stables set up in Oval II.

That's where Cat. Matthew Tucker was Wednesday afternoon and he said he was pleased to be in Drayton Valley. Coming to communities like Drayton Valley gives members of the Musical Ride a more personal experience, as opposed to some of the bigger events they are part of such as the Calgary Stampede, where they performed prior to coming to Drayton Valley, he said.

"Honestly it's better. I know other members will say the exact same thing. You get to talk to people. People wear us here. The only thing they're coming to see is us, essentially, so it just has a special feeling to it for us and we know we're raising money for a great charity. So it means more to us to do that. And I am not putting down Calgary Stampede at all, but it means more to us to do that," he said.

Prior to the Musical Ride arriving in town the community had already stepped up to help with the event. Many businesses and individuals chose to adopt one of the horses while they were here.

"Five hundred dollars would allow them to adopt a horse, and they get the opportunity to come and take a picture of the horse, and meet the horse, of course," said Sekars.

Leah Sanderson was down at Oval II that afternoon to see Cybil, the horse her family adopted.

"We adopted for a couple of reasons. It's a fundraiser. We wanted to support the Foundation. I mean just look at her, she

is just beautiful. The big thing is my husband and I wanted to show our support for the community, really," she said. That support was evident in other ways as well. The event sold 1,000 advanced tickets, all of which were sold out before the show.

"We expect people from across the province. I have sold tickets to Saskatchewan and B.C. that people are coming here to see this show. We have people coming in from outside the country, you know they're visiting family in Edmonton or wherever and they're bringing them out here from Ireland or Australia. People want to see this event. It's a Canadian tradition. It's part of the heritage," said Sekars before the show.

She said the community has been generous with the help they've given the Musical Ride and CT4DV campaign.

"The community really stands behind us to make it happen. All we did is ask and they came in and helped us. Just setting up all these box stalls, and companies sent their employees to come in here and help us and all you've got to do is ask and the community people are very, very giving. That's heartwarming to me," she said. That continuing support will help on the way to achieving the main objective of raising \$1.5 million.

"A CT scanner is our ultimate goal. We can change lives by having the CT scanner in Drayton Valley. Especially for the stroke patients who will see the biggest benefit," said Sekars.

Mamta Luthi Western Review

The RCMP Musical Ride was in Drayton Valley last week, after performing at the Calgary Stampede. Arranged by the Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation, the event was hosted to raise money for a CT scanner for the Drayton Valley Hospital.

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UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

- Regular Council Meeting on August 5th starting at 9 am
- Municipal Planning Commission Meeting on August 6th starting at 10 am in the Council Chamber. Contact the Planning & Development Department at 780-542-2667 for further information. ***Dates are subject to change
- Agricultural Service Board Meeting on August 20th at 10 am at the County office.
- The Business Visitation Program interviews with regional businesses have been completed and we would like to thank those that participated. Miller/Dickinson/Blais is currently undertaking data analysis which will provide the Municipality with a report for implementation. Contact the Economic Development for further details, 780-542-7777.
- ***All Council meetings are held in the Council Chamber and are open to the public.

Information about Brazeau County employment opportunities can be found in the classified section or on our website, www.brazeau.ab.ca

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO AMEND THE OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE USE BYLAW 841-14

The purpose of Bylaw 841-14 is to amend the Bylaw authorizing the operation of Off Highway Vehicles on highways, right-of-ways and municipal property in Brazeau County.

Brazeau County Council will hold a Public Hearing at which any person claiming to be affected by the proposed Bylaw 841-14 may ask questions or make their views known. The Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at 10:00 am or as soon thereafter as possible in the Council Chambers of the Brazeau County office at 7401 Township Road 494, Drayton Valley, Alberta, T7A 1R1.

Any written submissions mailed or delivered to Brazeau County, Box 77, 7401 Township Road 494, Drayton Valley, Alberta, T7A 1R1 or faxed to 780-542-7770 by 4:30 p.m., July 28, 2014, will be included in the Council Report. Written and oral submissions may also be made at the Council meeting without prior notification to Brazeau County. If you make a written submission, the information you provide may be made public subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

A copy of this Bylaw is available for public inspection at the Brazeau County Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For further information, please contact the Community Services Department by telephone (780) 542-7777 or by e-mail at rnmis@brazeau.ab.ca.



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NOTICE OF APPROVED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FILE 140-382

The following Development Permit has been issued by the Brazeau County Development Authority:

PROPOSAL: Retail Establishment - Addition (576 ft²) and Accessory - Uncovered Deck (64 ft²). A variance to the front yard setback from 25.0 m (82 ft.) to 1.15 m (3.8 ft.) is granted from the retail establishment - addition (576 ft²) to the front (east) property line. A variance to the front yard setback from 25.0 m (82 ft.) to 0 m (0 ft.) is granted from the accessory - uncovered deck (64 ft²) to the front (east) property line.

LEGAL DESC. Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 3504 KS within NW 31-47-9-W5M (Lodgepole)

Written notice of an appeal for this permit, containing reasons for the appeal, and a \$250.00 appeal fee must be received by the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, either by hand or registered mail, at the Offices of Brazeau County by 5:00 p.m., July 28, 2014.

For further information, please contact the Planning and Development Department at: 780-542-2667.

RURAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Brazeau County will be hosting three Community Hall Sessions to discuss the communications strategy and proposed tower locations for 2014. We have provided a map to show the potential tower location and areas affected at <http://www.brazeau.ab.ca/ruralcomm>.

Council has approved the following dates and locations for the meetings:

- August 5 - Brazeau County Office - 7:00 pm
- August 11 - Lodgepole Hall - 7:00 pm
- August 12 - Cynthia Hotel - 7:00 pm

Please email us at ruralcomm@brazeau.ab.ca with any questions or comments.

news

ON DISPLAY



The weather mostly co-operated on July 20, allowing classic car owners and classic car lovers the chance to indulge in a favourite pastime — looking at, and talking cars. The Northern Thunder Classic Car Club hosted its annual show and shine in the Canadian Tire parking lot creating a rainbow of colours, makes and models.

Photos submitted/Elliott Marum



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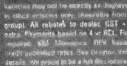

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our editorial

Council gets it wrong with \$5,000 budget decision

Last month, after lengthy discussion, Drayton Valley Town Council voted to amend its Remuneration Policy to establish individual budgets for councillors and the mayor. The budgets are to be used to fund conferences, workshops and development opportunities.

These individual budgets, to be funded from the overall council budget, will allow for more efficient tracking, more accountability and more flexibility for councillors to determine what professional development opportunities will best help them serve the Town of Drayton Valley.

At the time the amendments were made, to come into effect immediately, council did not make a decision on how to address the issue for the remainder of 2014. Last week that issue was back in front of council.

Coun. Fayrell Wheeler made a motion to deduct the amount individual councillors and the mayor had already used for conferences and development in 2014 from the newly-established budgets moving forward.

It seems a logical way to approach the issue. However, the majority of councillors noted that since costs have not been tracked individually to this point, it would be time consuming for staff to calculate those numbers. Instead, the majority opted to allocate each member half of the newly established budgets to finish out the second half of the year.

Prior to the amendments being made Coun. Graham Long expressed concern that establishing individual bud-

gets could be perceived as entitlement. His colleagues disagreed.

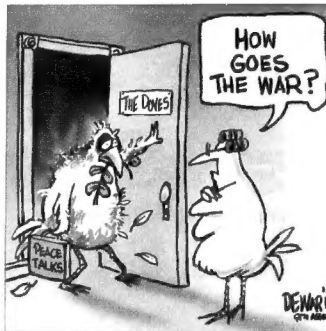
However, just a few weeks later, his concern over that perception may be coming true. The impression last week's decision gives is that rather than taking the time to sort out who has spent what on professional development and conferences so far this year, it's easier to just split the allocated budget down the middle, call it good and start fresh in 2015.

If that's the case council should have considered holding off on implementing the amendments until January 2015 and just carried on as usual for 2014.

One certainly can dispute that administration time is valuable and that staff have many things demanding their attention. But it is also hard to dispute the value of knowing what individual elected officials have spent on professional development. Regardless of how things are currently being tracked when costs are covered from a collective pool of budgeted money, councillors should have at least a passing idea of what professional development sessions and conferences they've attended and the costs associated with them.

If the goal behind the individual budgets is to improve efficiency and transparency, that should start now, not in six months.

Taking the time to do it right and find out where each elected official falls in the expenditure of their \$10,000 makes sure there's no inequity in the amount of professional development available to each of them.



Doing it right



There and Back
Courtney Whalen

Often think one of the best ways to judge the success of an event isn't just if those attending it have smiles on their faces, but if organizers and performers do as well. That kind of reaction from people involved in this community as part of the Musical Ride.

One again, the foundation's fund developers office, board of directors and volunteers outdid themselves.

Having had the chance to see the RCMP Musical Ride the last time it was in Drayton Valley back in 2006, I knew it wasn't something I was going to miss and I snapped up some advanced tickets early on. However, in my role as editor I was also invited to attend a welcome dinner organizers were putting on for the riders, with some culinary and venue help from Sam at the White Bull.

I am so glad the invitation was

extended to me, as it gave me a chance to chat with some of the Musical Ride members and also see how pleased they were at the welcome they received. Things like that will ensure they remember Drayton Valley as a welcoming community they enjoyed performing in.

Of course, knowing some of those involved in the health services foundation I was not surprised, but I thought it was worth giving them a little extra recognition for all the hard work that went into this latest event that raised approximately \$40,000 toward a valuable piece of medical equipment for our hospital.

The foundation needs to raise \$1.8 million to purchase the CT scanner. It's off to a good start and people in the community are already getting behind it. I have no doubt it won't be that long before the goal has been achieved.

To find out more about how you can support the foundation and the work it does to support health care in our community go online to www.drhhealthfoundation.ca or find Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation on Facebook.

Letter to the editor

Couple grateful for help when stranded

On July 7, my husband and I packed up our little dog and left in our car to head back to our home on the Sundine Coast in B.C.

We have a 20 foot wheelchair accessible compact motor home with an attached 20 foot trailer. We left Drayton Valley on Highway 22. My husband and I managed to pull over and we called AMA for help. Less than one hour later, James and Drew made up in their Chevrolet towing truck and did everything in their power to assist us. Their truck was too small and so, they called me a cab and helped arrange for a bigger truck from APL Towing. AMA said it would be only 35 minutes to a hitchhiker's ride with Andrew from D1 calls to the Canadian Tire in Drayton Valley.

Communication breakdown number one and it turns out APL has been sent to Edmonton and I am sitting in my wheelchair beside the closed service department at Canadian Tire, with my water, my Kleenex and two marshmallows in my cooler. Three hours to wait! Alone in my wheelchair I am feeling helplessness but not scared and I know Allan

and Ash-Lee, waiting at the side of a busy highway were nervous for me. The more close to 9 and Berta, the head cashier comes over and expresses concern, saying she can't leave me alone on a deserted lot (alone?). Just as I was getting panicky, along comes APL, the gull, with my smiling husband and pup. In four minutes they had the delinquent house/ van unloaded and Berta showed us where we could plug in. Our angel, Coffee in the morning as we awoke in the sound of jack brakes. Berta's maid service staff and first thing Tuesday morning we were pushed by eight staff members in to the shop. Also, no good news. Our power control module was shot and had to be ordered through Dodge, coming from our cost. Four day delay and three cancer tests scheduled in Vancouver, plus the boat was playing havoc with my MS. The dog was waiting and we all wanted to go home.

Later that day, Rose, who is the morning manager at Canadian Tire, comes over with her partner Ken, who manages Pleasantview Modular Home Park and they invite us to home with them. I don't want to leave my little house/ house unattended as it has everything I need inside so we agree to go over to their place but sleep at our Canadian Tire camping spot. Ken

and Rose are an amazing, funny, caring, generous and slightly wicked couple and we hit it off immediately. Every day we go to their house and they feed us as we share our stories. Friday arrives and our part, for some unfortunate reason, has been cancelled and in the heat, I have a minor meltdown.

Chae the commodity operations manager, comes over to Rose and Ken's house to explain the problem and to tell us that the owner of Canadian Tire Drayton Valley, Paul Lamoureux and son Justin, have booked us a wheelchair accessible suite at the Services Plus Express for as long as we need it. Allan and I are overwhelmed by the generosity of this man who has never met and the tenacity of Chae to make sure our part comes in and that we are comfortable.

Nathan from service tries to find a way to get us home but there are no wheelchair accessible motor homes available for rent and now we are told it could be another week before the '86's' part even arrives after being re-ordered. The heat outside is unbearable and we are happy to have our lovely air conditioned room. The people of Drayton Valley have been great but 12 days! I'm so ready to go home. see LETTER on pg. 10

The unjust goat



Lesley's Lessons
Lesley Allan

I'm not going to lie, there's something about goats' eyes that give me the heebie-jeebies. Despite that they're a great little animal.

There is however one goat that is not only unethical, but undeserved to those it is used against. For those who don't understand what I'm referring to it's scapegoats.

Anyone at any age can be used as a scapegoat and for a variety of reasons and varying degrees of seriousness. Lately I keep seeing one group continually used as a scapegoat for illegal activities going on in town — youth.

It seems like no matter what age adults are the generation younger them is nothing but trouble and is blamed for the downfall of society.

Everyone knows there has been an increase in crime, but really it's not out of the ordinary. As Drayton Valley is a growing community and as more people and money come into the town, more crime will follow. It's nothing new, the same thing happens no matter where you go.

When it comes to youth a recurring concern keeps being brought up because people

believe that it will lower vandalism and other crimes in the community. The concept is a community curfew for anyone under the age of 18. In Drayton Valley already technically has.

Besides the fact that this can be very restrictive they say it is also unfair because the majority of them are well behaved and should be allowed to go out with friends during the summer and not be "punished" due to their age and the fact that there are a few bad apples.

Not to mention that the same youth that commit crimes would likely be staying past the curfew anyway, so really it's not going to change much.

Besides the unfairness of a municipally set, age-based curfew, I also fail to see the direct

impact this would actually have on crime. Yes, there would be a shift in some degree but due to the fact that most crimes are committed by adults and more specifically profile offenders, unless no one was allowed to go out after 11 p.m. there would not be a significant difference.

I am not in denial that there are some youth who do break the law, but I'm not naive or willing to simply pass the blame onto one group of people who have done nothing to deserve being blamed for the acts of others.

Youth are an important part of this community and the majority of them are highly active members and have done very good things to make Drayton Valley and surrounding areas better places to live.

Agreed, although not often talked about, it is very real and although it is not necessarily as damaging as racism or sexism, it still has the ability to damage the people it goes against. If a group of people are only expected to do bad things and do not get credit for the good it's only a matter of time before they become what is unfairly assumed of them and the problem becomes worse.

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opinion

The power of camping

This time of the year finds many of us heading off around Alberta or to B.C. to enjoy a much needed break on the great Canadian campout.

Personally, our family loves camping and as a dad of five boys it's what my kids love most. They would pick camping over a holiday in a warm tropical place any day of the week.

For the past few months we have found ourselves busy with kids involved in soccer, swimming and gymnastics. I mean just a few, and the school year drew to a close. But now that summer is here, the mercury begins to soar and now that the snow has finally melted it's a great feeling getting ready for the campfire and the sound of the sleeping bags and camping gear.

Several years ago we were in B.C. camping during some of their severe wildfires and were there in various locations where we were staying. Due to the fire bans we were not able to have a fire and like typical Canadians we carried on regardless. However, without a fire we all agreed that it didn't quite feel the same and it didn't feel like our traditional camping holiday.

For us and many Canadians, camping the "Canadian Campfire" becomes

the central glow of the camp. My kids love helping to collect wood, building the fire, roasting marshmallows and, well, the mercury begins to soar and now that the snow has finally melted it's a great feeling getting ready for the campfire and the sound of the sleeping bags and camping gear.

This camping trip I am committing to unplugging my phone and electronics (with the exception of my camera)

and spending more time laughing, connecting and making memories. Why not commit to doing the same? Even if you don't have time to go away, why not take a night and have a fire in your back yard or arrange a camp out in your garden? Either way, what matters most is unplugging and connecting with those you love this summer.

—Christopher Lees is the Project Coordinator with Aim for Success.

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Mental Health matters

Do you have an oil industry story that should be shared?

Our annual salute to the oil and gas industry is coming next month. If you know of a story of innovation or interest that should be included, call Courtney Whalen at 780-542-5390 ext. 24.

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letter to the editor

LETTER from pg. 9

In all my years in the car business and in retail sales, I have never had the owner of a business take such a giant step forward in order to keep a customer happy. I know I am handicapped and the heat made it impossible to stay in my house/van for 12 days — plus the tanks are all full now. But still, every person we have had contact with at Canadian Tire has been concerned for our welfare and have gone way beyond their job

description to help us. I have never met Mr. Lamoureux but I bet he is a great guy to work for. Thanks to Char who is the girl to get things done, we will be heading home on July 18, hopefully leaving the heat and forest fires behind us. Everyone will be cheering us on and crossing their fingers we make it home without anymore breakdowns. In this day and age, it is rare for people to give unconditional of their time to strangers. Drayton Valley — you

should be proud of those people who care and share. Your town motto is "PULLING TOGETHER" and maybe, sometime soon, we will get the chance to return the favour. Thank you a million times over from your very grateful and humbled B.C. friends. We're especially going to miss Ken and Rose, our new BFFs.

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community

Around the water cooler...

It was a smoky and smothering hot week last week. We hope you were able to stay cool.

We've got lots of great water cooler items for you this week!

Let's start by talking about the big event at the Lions Rodeo Grounds on July 16! The RCMP Musical Ride packed the stands and luckily Mother Nature was on our side. The musical ride was in Drayton Valley to help raise funds for the Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation's latest campaign, CT4D. The campaign is aiming to raise \$1.8 million dollars to purchase a CT scanner for the Drayton Valley Hospital. We want to say great job to all the organizers and volunteers. It's no small feat to put together an event like that.

At the event it was announced that a contribution of \$127 from every person in Drayton Valley could achieve the fundraising goal. One local business is taking that to heart. Cecile Shewell and the team at Drayton Valley Petro Canada have set a goal to raise \$100,000 through donation drop offs. People are encouraged to drop off their donation cheques, or throw their extra change in a donation jar. Every little bit helps! Congrats to Cecile and her team for taking the initiative to get involved.

To stay informed on how the campaign is going be sure to find Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation on Facebook.

Summer is a time when families love to be by the

water to stay cool. This week the Park Valley Pool is taking part in the Preventable Campaign to raise awareness about safety in and around the water to help prevent drowning. The campaign is running in conjunction with the Alberta Centre for Injury Control and Research. The goal of the campaign is for individuals and families to take a few moments to think about safety before getting in the water. Prevention such as active supervision of children around water, four-sided fencing around pools, using lifejackets, swimming lessons for children and having training in first aid and CPR are all ways to help prevent drowning. For more information head over to the Park Valley Pool this week.

Do you like cycling? Do you like supporting your community? Do you want to do both at the same time? Registration is already open for this year's DV100 Race or Ride, coming up on Sept. 13. The 100-kilometre ride is a fundraiser for the Drayton Valley Community Foundation. Cyclists can tackle the 100 km route on their own, break it down for a team of three or, new for this year, take part in a 40 km route. For more details and to register online go to www.dv100.ca. If volunteering seems more your style, riding, there

will be plenty of opportunities for that as well.

The Drayton Valley Municipal Library has been offering lots of activities for children and youth this summer. Coming up this week a magician will be delighting families on July 24 at 1 p.m. The next day the library will be continuing its family movie Fridays with Meet the Rob-

bins starting at 1 p.m. Both those events will be taking place at the Rotary Branch Children's Library adjacent to Holy Trinity Academy. Head down for some family fun!

Drayton Valley Minor Baseball has an exciting event coming up on the Civic Holiday Weekend, from Aug. 1-3. The mosquitoes will be

hosting a provincial tournament here on our local diamonds! Watch in next week's paper for more details, but mark it on your calendar so you can spend some time cheering on a local team as we play host to baseballers and their families from across the province.

We've been a little light on birthday wishes over the past

few weeks. Don't forget if you know of someone with a birthday or anniversary coming up and you want us to share best wishes with them, e-mail courtney.whelan@sunmedia.ca or give her a call at 780-542-5380 ext. 24. Looks like that's all we have room for this time. Have an exceptionally ecstatic week!

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Brazeau County council briefs

Lesley Allan
Western Review

RCMP

During the July 15 regular council meeting a motion was passed approving the Drayton Valley RCMP to draw on extra resources and provide enhanced policing from July 16 to Dec. 31 at a value of \$30,000.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

A motion was passed that Brazeau County council enters into an agreement with the Town of Drayton Valley for the maintenance and grounds up-keep of the Drayton Valley and District Historical Society property containing the historical museum. The funds for the agreement are to be taken from unrestricted surplus, in the amount of \$4,000, with Fin-7 Cultural grant funding of \$12,000 for a total of \$16,000.

PEMBINA SENTINEL AIR MONITORING

Dale Guze, Christian Vernados and Anita Berger from the Pembina Sentinel Air Monitoring Station (PSAMS) gave a presentation to council regarding their permanent H2S and SO2 monitoring network. They discussed that the system is not designed as a substitute for emergency response regulation and actions, but designed for citizens to make their own decisions about the level of emissions they feel they should be exposed to. PSAMS has been in operation for five years and are funded through industry and hope to increase its membership, there are no membership fees. Data is available online from their monitors at www.pembinasentinelmonitoring.com.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

Sandile Labrie, program director of the Boys and Girls Club of Drayton Valley made a presentation to council regarding various programs the new group is offering. The organization will be setting up four after school programs in September within four local elementary schools. Twenty children are able to register per site, and fees will be determined on a family-by-family basis. They are operating an office out of Rotary House and receive funding through PCSS, grants and fundraising.

EPBR

Rob Macintosh and Kerri Widenmaier made a presentation on behalf of the Eagle Point/Blue Rapids Parks Council (EPBR) regarding updating the Drayton Recreation and Open Space Master Plan for Brazeau County. Currently the Parks Council is seeking input from local residents through the use of online surveys, but will also look to visitors and area stakeholders in an effort to determine what the recreation priorities are for the area. Surveys for public input, as well as more information are available online at www.epbrparksCouncil.org. A motion was passed to add a working session with the EPBR to council's calendar.

REDISTRICTING

A motion was passed that council give first reading of Bylaw 840-14 proposing a portion of Pt SW 19-49-7-W5M be redistricted from Agricultural (AG) to Modu-

lar/Manufactured Home Park (MHP) and that the public hearing for Bylaw 840-14 be scheduled at 10 a.m. on Sept. 2. The redistricting has been requested for the proposed expansion of the Country Style Manufactured Home Park.

RURAL COMMUNICATION

Council passed a motion that Brazeau County enter into a Memorandum of Understanding - Alberta Rural Communications Network (ARCN) between Brazeau County, Lac Ste. Anne County, Parkland County, Saddle Hills County and Yellowhead County. The agreement, which was made in principle as it is still being drafted, will formalize the collaborative efforts of the counties when it comes to the development of rural communication. Should the final agreement differ greatly from the draft pre-

sented to council, administration will bring it back to council for approval.

DUST CONTROL

A motion was passed approving the requested changes to the PW-3 Dust Control (Rural) Road Policy as amended and presented. Motions were passed to amend Schedule 'A' of the 2014 Schedule of Fees Bylaw 826-13 to reduce the dust control rates for seniors by 50 per cent, from \$200 to \$100.

ROAD ACCESS

Council passed a motion to explore the option of putting a Tress gate across road allowance RR84, and go through the proper process of getting necessary approval from the province.

ROADS

A motion was passed to approve the use

of "contract construction" with general contractors and engineers to increase road building capacity up to 5km from restricted road surplus. By contracting the work out it is expected that the county would be able to bring in-house construction crews back on schedule. The cost of contract construction is currently \$540,000 per kilometre, funds to cover the costs are to be taken out of roads restricted surplus.

Council passed a motion to approve adding the Range Road 81 extension to the road request list.

MEETINGS

The next regular council meetings will be held on Aug. 5 and Aug. 19. All council meetings are open to the public.

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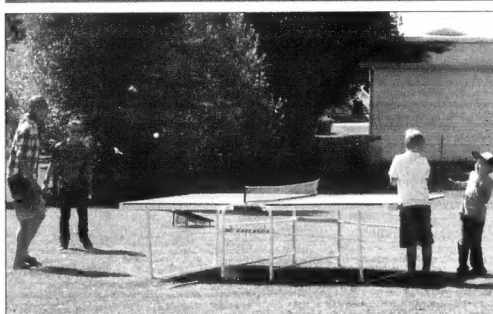
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Mamba Lulla Western Review

Birchwood Enhancement Projects Committee arranged a fun day for the community to raise awareness and funds for a new playground. The day involved free games and activities including ping-pong, face painting, bouncy house, badminton and volleyball. Money was raised through a concession stand and sale of raffle tickets.

In need of a place to play

Birchwood community is looking to put in a new playground

Mamba Lulla
Western Review

Summer often means children go out and play under the sun but that may not be the case for the Birchwood community that has no play area for its younger residents.

"There's nothing for kids to do in this community. Nothing. Zero. There's just a green space of grass here and that's it," said Birchwood Enhancement Projects Committee treasurer Lorry Clark.

The community put together a fun day on July 12, inviting everyone in the area to come out as a way to raise awareness and funds to build a playground.

"We're replacing a playground, which was taken down because it was deemed unsafe and we're trying to raise money for the new playground," said Clark.

The playground was taken down last summer and the committee hopes to put a new one up by next fall. More than 100 visitors showed up on the family fun day and raised \$1,000, confirmed Clark last week.

The day included various activities that were set up where the old playground used to be, including volleyball, badminton, ping-pong, face painting, bouncy house and clown act.

The event was put together in hopes of raising awareness and to raise some funds. The activities arranged were free to participants.

"The only way we're making money is by the concession stand and raffle tickets," said Clark.

Sitting with \$6,000 raised so far, the committee is well aware it has a long way to go. "We're bound and determined, we're going to make this happen," said committee co-treasurer Doreen Girard.

The total cost for the project is more than \$75,000 and the committee has contacted Brazeau County seeking financial help.

Brazeau County Economic Development and Communications Manager Wanda Compton said administration has been directed to look into the matter, but there was not a lot of information the county could provide at this time.

The playground will be located in a "common" property, meaning residents and visitors have access to the open area, confirmed Clark last week.

Girard and Clark hope the playground, which will provide for 43 permanent children residents under the age of 18 can do more than just be a play area.

"We want to bring community back together. Lots of the children don't know each other. So everybody can get to know each other and raise the spirit in the community," said Clark.

"We do have a plan and a product picked out. And it's like a big play centre and we also have swings that we want to put up and we would like to add picnic tables, benches and that kind of thing," said Girard.

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Courtney Whalen
Western ReviewMAN JAILED FOR
STEALING VEHICLE

A man, who has already spent more than three months in jail, has another three months to serve after pleading guilty to theft of a motor vehicle.

On Apr. 9 police received a report of a stolen vehicle from a local hotel. The investigation and CCTV footage showed Sheldon Thompson entering the vehicle and driving away from the hotel.

Last week Thompson also pleaded guilty to theft under \$5,000 after he was seen on camera stealing items from a local clothing store. He also pleaded guilty to obtaining food fraudulently after he left a restaurant without paying for what he had eaten.

The Crown was seeking a sentence of eight months for the vehicle theft with lesser concurrent sentences for the other two charges.

The court heard that while he's been in custody Thompson has been taking a number of courses dealing with issues such as violence, drugs and addiction.

He told the court he's taking steps to become a "productive member of society rather than a destructive member."

He was sentenced to eight months in jail for the stolen vehicle, but was given credit for the equivalent of 147 days spent in pre-sentence custody (at a credit of one and a half days for every day), leaving him with 53 days left to spend in jail. He was sentenced to 60 days in jail on the other charges, to be served concurrent to the eight months.

JAIL TIME FOR
IMPAIRED DRIVING

A man who was in a collision after failing to stop for police will be spending time in custody.

On Oct. 13, 2013 police saw a vehicle, driven by Kyle Foley, go through a red light. Emergency lights were activated, but when he didn't slow down police de-activated their lights. They then heard the vehicle crash. When officers arrived Foley was showing signs of impairment. At the time he was already disqualified from driving, which he also pleaded guilty to.

Foley also pleaded guilty to breaching an alcohol condition he was bound by on Apr. 2.

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The Crown was seeking a six-month jail sentence on the impaired driving charge, along with a three-year driving prohibition. The prosecutor was also seeking a 30-day sentence for driving while disqualified, to be served concurrently, but with an additional year on the possession of stolen property charge and 30 days concurrent on the other charges. The three-month sentence will be served on top of the time he is already serving on previous charges.

MORE JAIL TIME FOR
SERVING PRISONER

A man will spend another three months in jail after pleading guilty to five charges last week.

Koby Iida was already serving a jail sentence after pleading guilty to possession of stolen property on June 30 when he entered guilty pleas to possession of stolen property valued at more than \$5,000, failing to report for an intermittent sentence, failing to report to the RCMP, failing to report to probation and breach of a recognition for being in a vehicle without the registered owner present.

The possession of stolen property

and breach of recognition charge stem from an incident on June 28 when an off-duty RCMP officer saw him in a restaurant drive away. Knowing he was wanted on warrants, the officer called for assistance and Iida was arrested.

The Crown and defence requested the judge consider a 90-day sentence on the possession of stolen property charge and 30 days concurrent on the other charges. The three-month sentence will be served on top of the time he is already serving on previous charges.

THE COURT HEARD THAT IIDA WAS
A FATHER AND THAT HIS MOTHER HAD
RECENTLY DIED.

Speaking from custody via closed circuit television, Iida said in the last conversation he had with his mother she had spoken with him about clearing up all his outstanding charges so he could get a fresh start for his child. He said that is what he is intending to do.

The judge agreed to go along with the joint submission.

MISCHIEF LEADS TO JAIL
A man who kicked in a door at an ex-girlfriend's home was sentenced to jail last week after pleading guilty

to mischief.

The court heard that Ronald Stewen went to his ex-partner's home to retrieve something. When she didn't let him in, he kicked the door. He then failed to show up for a scheduled trial date.

When police were dealing with Stewen, he was also found in possession of stolen property.

The 44-year-old was sentenced to 60 days in jail, but was given credit for the equivalent of 40 days spent in pre-sentence custody.

STAYING OUT LATE
LANDS MAN IN JAIL

A man who was required to abide by a court-ordered curfew was arrested after he was seen outside his home.

Last week RCMP saw Jason McGinn walking down the street. They knew he was under court orders to be in his home by 8 p.m.

He was arrested and charged with breaching his conditions.

Last week a joint submission was put in front of the judge for a 30-day sentence. He was given credit for time served in pre-sentence custody.

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Courtney Whalen
Western ReviewCHARGES PENDING IN
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

Two people have been charged and charges are expected against a third after an alleged aggravated assault that resulted in a collision on July 14.

That day, shortly before noon, Drayton Valley RCMP received the report of a single vehicle collision in the area of Twp. Road 494 and Range Road 75. A vehicle had left the road, hit the ditch and a fence, finally coming to a rest in a neighbouring field. Injuries sustained by some of those involved were not consistent with what could be expected in a collision and police began an investigation.

A portion of the road was closed for several hours as RCMP conducted the investigation. Last week Drayton Valley RCMP Cpl. Marcia McDermott said charges have been laid against two of those involved with charges pending against a third.

Aggravated assault is an assault where someone maims, wounds, disfigures or endangers the life of another person.

POLICE LAY WEAPONS CHARGES
A man is facing charges of robbery with a firearm and a number of other charges related to firearms after being arrested on July 16.

That afternoon Drayton Valley RCMP were called to investigate the report of a robbery with

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a weapon at a residence in Drayton Valley. The investigation revealed that the individuals involved had been at the residence together when a disagreement occurred. At that point it is alleged that a man produced a firearm, demanded money and kicked the other person out.

When police arrived they located the 26-year-old man and he was arrested. A number of firearms were also recovered at the residence. He is facing a number of charges including robbery with a firearm, pointing a firearm, careless use of a firearm, and three charges of unsafe storage of a firearm.

NO ADDITIONAL INFO ON COLLISION
No further information has been released on a collision that closed a portion of Hwy. 22 overnight on July 11 and into the day on July 12. One person was killed after a collision at around 9 p.m.

Emergency services were called to an intersection crossing Hwy. 22 south of Ennisville for a two-vehicle collision.

A preliminary investigation by Evansburg RCMP determined a grain truck and crude oil tanker had collided at the intersection. As a result a fire started and both vehicles were engulfed in flames. One of the drivers involved was killed in the collision and the other was taken to hospital with critical injuries.

Last week RCMP K Division media

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JAIL FOR POSSESSION
OF STOLEN PROPERTY

A 27-year-old who says he wants to get on with his life, pleaded guilty to possession of stolen property valued at less than \$5,000, possession of a prohibited weapon, and breaching court-ordered conditions by having possession of a weapon.

The charges came on the heels of a police investigation into the report of a break and enter to a construction site. While there police found an iPod that had been reported stolen.

When police looked at the iPod they found several selfies of Richard Henshall. When police located the man and arrested him he had a knife, which he was under conditions not to have, and was also in possession of stolen knuckles.

The Crown was asking the court to consider a three-month jail term. The defence was asking for 30 days in jail with credit for time served.

"Timothy is a good guy," Henshall said via closed circuit television when he appeared in court last week. "I just got caught up in the wrong thing."

He continued to say that he is in the process of trying to get on with his life and that he won't be back in court until September.

The judge sentenced Henshall to 30 days in jail and gave him credit for the equivalent of 18 days of pre-sentence custody.

MAN FINED AFTER DRINKING AND DRIVING
A 20-year-old man pleaded guilty to a drinking and driving offence in Drayton Valley Provincial Court last week.

Dylan Anderson pleaded guilty to driving with more than the legal limit of alcohol in his system in relation to an incident on May 16.

Anderson was driving a vehicle that had a parked vehicle at night. He remained at the scene waiting for police to attend.

Once police arrived they noticed a smell of alcohol on Anderson. He was arrested and taken back to the RCMP detachment for a breathalyzer test. His reading was 140. The legal limit is 80.

Last week he was fined \$1,000 and given a one-year driving prohibition.

BIKERS WILL BE BACK IN COURT IN SEPTEMBER
A group of individuals charged after the execution

of a search warrant in March won't be back in court until September.

On May 21 four individuals believed to be members of the Warlocks Motorcycle Club; Rocky Buzzell, Dean McKnight, Sheldon King and Luke Bushell, were arrested along with four individuals believed to be associates, including Richard Williams, Elizabeth McKnight and Emanuel Lapointe. An additional person arrested was fined after pleading guilty to possession of a controlled substance last month.

Last week an agent for the lawyers representing the remainder of the accused appeared in Drayton Valley Provincial Court. He informed the court that since the arrest one of those charged, Bushell, has died. He was requesting the case be adjourned to Sept. 2.

The case is being handled by Special Prosecutors Branch and Crown prosecutor David Clifton was acting as its agent last week, offering no objection to the adjournment.

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COUNCIL GIFTS FOR \$5,000 BUDGET FOR REMAINDER OF 2014
Last week the majority council voted to allocate \$5,000 per councillor for conferences and workshops for the remainder of 2014.

The decision comes after previously made amendments to the Remuneration Policy, creating individual budgets of \$10,000 annually for councillors and \$25,000 annually for the mayor to use for conferences, workshops and outside development opportunities. The individual budgets will be funded from the existing council budget.

Council had tabled a portion of the policy about how to approach 2014, as the year is already half over.

Coun. Fryrell Wheeler made a motion that would have seen expenses accumulated by members of council so far this year, subtracted from the new \$10,000 budget to calculate how much is available for the remainder of the year.

She noted last week that staff had indicated that while it would take some time, it would be possible to meet with councillors to determine what they had extended to date.

Her motion was defeated last week, with the majority of council deciding for the remainder of 2014 to simply allocate half of the \$10,000.

Coun. Nancy McClure noted that would be to the advantage of some councillors, and disadvantage others who haven't expended \$5,000 in conferences or development opportunities.

She said that due to amendments to the policy that changed the definition of workshops and conferences, trying to have administration track it mid-term would be time-consuming.

Coun. Dean Shulard agreed. "I don't feel we should be wasting that time for our staff to look this up," he said. "I think the easiest way is to go with the status quo."

Councillors also adopted a document that will be filled out

by those who attend conferences or development sessions giving an outline of what they learned and how it will benefit the goals of the Town of Drayton Valley. The idea is that those completed documents would then be included as part of the council agenda package.

SUBDIVISION WILL ALLOW FOR MORE HOUSING
Council has given approval to a subdivision application for

The land is already zoned for high density residential development.

AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ON THE WAY

The Town of Drayton Valley will soon have automated traffic enforcement set up on local streets.

Last week council agreed to approve a contractor agreement with Independent Traffic Services Ltd. for automated enforcement. Details of the agreement were discussed in

ment were discussed in camera, although at the June 25 council meeting information presented indicated the automated enforcement would be used to complement and enhance traffic safety work being done by local peace officers. At that meeting council also directed administration to establish a reserve account where revenue generated from automated enforcement would be directed.

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**REZONING
APPLICATION CAN
MOVE TO
PUBLIC INPUT STAGE**

Giving first reading to a bylaw that would see a portion of vacant land behind Dodson Plaza rezoned from R2 - general residential to C1 - central commercial district, means the process can move onto the next stage.

Last week Rob Macintosh and representatives of Leduc Co-op addressed council to

shed more light on the rezoning application. Originally planned as part of an approximately 9-acre development with a focus on residential, the rezoning would allow approximately three acres of the site to house commercial uses such as a gas bar, car wash and convenience store. Last week MacIntosh said the plan would be for the remainder of the site to be developed

for residential, including high density units.

"The overall footprint is less aggressive," he said of the proposed changes.

With first reading approved, the developers can now look at hosting a public open house and allow the process to move to public hearing.

**TOWN SUPPORTS
BALL TOURNEY**

Last week councillors

The tournament is slated to run over the August long weekend and is expected to have 120 participants.

The Community Event Grant allocates \$10,000 annually to help support local events that

NUMBERS LOOKING GOOD
Development Officer Jennifer Martin shared an update on development numbers to date in 2014.

From January to June 30 Martin told council there has been 46 new housing starts.

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Show to have all the 'trappings'

Alberta Trappers Association annual show comes to Drayton Valley

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Learn to skin a beaver or watch teens snare squirrels at the 11th annual Rendezvous and Outdoorsman Show put together by the Alberta Trappers Association and being hosted in Drayton Valley for the first time.

"Everyone is welcome to come down and wander around. There's a pretty good rural background already in Drayton Valley. A lot of people, their grandfathers did it or their fathers did it when they were young and maybe they're curious to come back and check it out," said president of the Drayton Valley local of the Alberta Trappers Association, Gary Godson.

The two-day event will teach and entertain the crowd at a trade show, a banquet with a

live auction, ultimate trapper competition and junior ultimate trapper competition.

Some of the events include speed skinning, fire starting and setting beaver traps, while the juniors will take part in activities that include boarding a muskrat, snowshoe races and many others.

The youth competition started a couple years ago and because of popular demand it has grown with three events planned this year for ages 12 to 17.

Representatives of the Trappers Association will be coming from all over Alberta, and some from as far as Nova Scotia, to put on demonstrations.

"It can be as simple as making trap sets, there will be skinning demonstrations, there will be things like bear skinning, beaver and beavers," said Godson.

The trade show will have about 30 booths set up with a \$5 admission for the public.

"It's everything from fish and wildlife department setting up a booth, right through to trapping supplies. It's a broad spectrum. I would say it's catered more to

the outdoors, one way or the other but it's pretty broad," said Godson.

The event takes place July 25 and 26 with a banquet held on July 26. The banquet will cost \$48 per person and will include a live auction.

"We have a big B.C. hunt for three species, three animals, value is over \$12,000 and it's sponsored by a local family in Drayton Valley," he added.

The show that takes place across the province has never been in Drayton Valley as it has only been around for four years.

"This is Canada's history. We were all about the beaver trade for over 300 years, now it goes back to 1600s, we wouldn't be this big if it weren't for the fur trade. So we want to see fur trade/trapping continue. It's our heritage. A lot of people have forgotten that. It is what Canada is all about," he added.

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Local swimmer makes history

Amber Thomas is part of para swim team that swims English Channel

Western Review

A young swimmer who has already achieved much in the pool has recently made his story by being part of the first para swim team to traverse the English Channel.

Amber Thomas was part of a team of six swimmers who swam the Channel in 14 hours and 46 minutes in a campaign called Keep the Dream Afloat 2014.

"It was a lot different from pool swimming. Not having any guides, no ropes, was different. It was freezing. (I) always wanted to do something open water," said the 20-year-old pool swimmer who lost her sight in 2003.

Thomas, who won silver and bronze medals in the London 2012 Paralympics, retired from the Canadian Swim Team last year.

Thomas became part of the Keep the Dream Afloat team after being contacted by team coach, Marianne Alvarez, who also trained her for the London Paralympics.

The open exposure of water was a new experience for Thomas.

"I compare it to Marco Polo game. That's how it was for this swim," she said, chuckling.

It was a little tough for Thomas without the ropes to guide her and keep her on track, she said, so the team and coach directed her by saying "go right or go left" when she was in the water.

She added that the team may look into getting a Bluetooth device for her so she can hear the directions straight in her ear.

The English Channel swim is open from June to September every year, and the team was one of the first ones this year.

Two members of the team, Scott Patterson and Pedro Rangel Hara are double leg amputees, while Guillermo Marrero was born with a mobility dysfunction. Teammate Moises Fuentes is a paraplegic and amputated above right knee and Enrique Guerrero has his leg amputated below the right knee.

"Thomas said it was difficult for some of the team members to keep a balance in the water."

"The waves can flip you over," she said.

"English Channel is the biggest challenge in the open water. It's called Mount Everest of swimming. There was a point that it was getting tough with waves, bigger than what was expected. There were commercial vehicles and they bring out turbulence and waves. So it was very challenging," said Alvarez.

"Amber is amazing. It's how she jumped to achieve this. Middle of the water and she was jumping in. I am very proud of her and everyone should be," said the coach.

Alvarez said they met some

fishermen the next day, who couldn't believe the day the team did their swim because the waters were so choppy.

The coach said someone has shown interest in writing a book about the swim and featuring each swimmer who was part of the team.

Alvarez is planning to make the event an annual one with next June's spot booked already. She said they're looking into doing the swim twice a year, adding a second time in September but they're on a waiting list for September 2015.

The swim has cost of \$50,000 said the coach, in order to get applications ready and the boat costs. They're hoping to receive donations to pay for some of the costs. Any additional money would be donated to the team members, she confirmed. As of last week, the team stood at \$10,000 and is in need of more.

The swimmers are part of the HONI swim team, which stands for sea turtle in Hawaiian. The name was picked to show that para swimmers may be slow on land, but are free when in the water. Based out of Vancouver, HONI is in the middle of going non-profit, said Alvarez who is the head coach for the team.

"The swim itself is to raise awareness of para sports. It's a fundraiser to help people with disabilities," said Thomas.

To make donations visit vrs.org (Vancouver Resource Society) and select "Keep the Dream Afloat" on the donation form, or e-mail Alvarez at housingswim@live.com.



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Marta Lulla Western Review
A team of para swimmers were the first ones to swim the English Channel in an attempt last month. Among them was Drayton Valley's Amber Thomas.
ABOVE: Amber Thomas gets ready to enter the English Channel for her swim.
BELOW: 20-year-old Amber Thomas (right) with her swim coach, Marianne Alvarez (left) at the English Channel.



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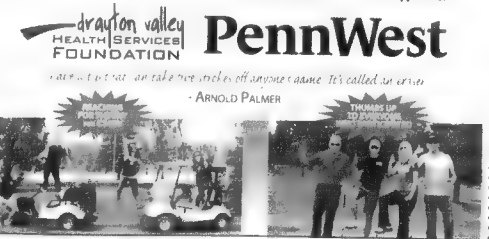
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Local runner competes at national level

Royden Radowits runs 5,000 metre at Canadian Junior Nationals Championship

Lesley Allan
Western Review

It might not have been the first time 17-year-old Royden Radowits had been to a national competition, but it was a first in his track and field career and one that not only challenged him, but taught him more about racing.

"I didn't know what to expect in the race, it was my first time doing a 5,000 metre on the track, so it was definitely interesting with that," shared Radowits, of the Canadian Junior Nationals Championship that took place in Montreal July 6 and 7.

There were two heats and I got put into the slow heat, so my biggest competition in that heat was actually from Alberta, so it was pretty much just a race that I could have done here."

Coming second in his heat, Radowits says he has mixed feelings with how he performed and how being in a slower heat might have impacted his overall race.

There was less pressure certainly. In the three kilometre some of those guys can run almost a minute faster than me. It's a little bit intimidating," he said. "So when you learn that you're in the slower heat it's less stressful, but there's not that competition you need so your time is going to be slower."

Finishing 15th overall in the event, Radowits was up against 25 other runners from across the country, which made attending the competition a great chance to zero in on

how he can improve his time and style of running. "It was a great opportunity to go and learn because I'm a first year junior so I was one of the younger kids in the race," he explained. "It was good to just learn to run and see how to do it, then get prepped and go back next year and try to place higher."

"You learn what it takes to be at that level for that kind of race."

— Royden Radowits



Lesley Allan Western Review
17-year-old Frank Maddock Student Royden Radowits proudly displays three of the medals he's won for running this year prior to heading to Montreal for the 2014 Canadian Junior Nationals Championship.

and then when you get into the 800 (metre) it's too painful of a race I find because it's almost all sprint, so your arms and your legs and everything burns afterwards," Radowits continued explaining. "With the 3,000 and the 1,500, and the 5,000 there's a lot of time to prep and a race really just unfolds. It's really fun and there's a lot of strategy that goes into it, you have to be smart in the race and you have to be mentally strong the whole time and physically strong too. So it's a hard competition to do."

Although it is a great passion for the young athlete, Radowits says he doesn't have any specific long term goals when it comes to running, but prefers to set smaller more short term goals. "It really depends on how good I can get in the next few years

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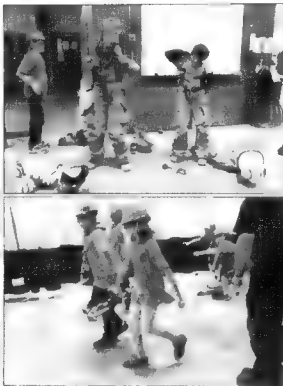
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Fire camp heats up summer fun in Breton



It was a week of fun and fire safety for youth in the Breton area had the opportunity to take part in the Drayton Valley/Brazzau County Fire Services Kids Firefighting Camp. This year is the first time the camp has been offered at the Breton station, 13 youth took part in the four-day program. See more pictures on pg. 37.

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Fire Services briefs

Courtney Whalen
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DRY CONDITIONS FAVOURABLE FOR GRASS FIRES

Between July 9-16 members of the Drayton Valley/Brazzau County Fire Services responded to two small grass fires in the Breton area. The first of the fires was reported in a ditch along Hwy 616 on July 14. Firefighters from Station No. 2 responded and got the fire under control. The following day, on July 15, Station No. 2 responded to another small grass fire in the same area. It was also located and extinguished. Firefighters were also called to three motor vehicle collisions. On July 9 Breton-area firefighters were at the scene of a collision

in the area of Hwy 20 and Hwy 616. Minor injuries were reported in that incident. Then, on July 13, firefighters responded to a collision on Hwy 620 in the area of the Brazzau Dam. The vehicle in the collision was carrying three children and an adult, but only minor injuries were reported.

The following day Station No. 3 in Drayton Valley was called to a single vehicle collision on Twp. Road 494 in the area of Range Road 75. Firefighters stayed on scene to assist Drayton Valley RCMP with roadblocks that were subsequently set up for an investigation relating to the collision that closed a section of the road for a number of hours. The week only yielded on alarm call. That came in on July 13 and was determined to be a false alarm.

On July 16 the fire services investigated reports of smoke in the area of the river valley, however nothing was discovered. That day the area was experiencing extensive smoke coverage as the result of wildfires burning in other areas.

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RESTRICTIONS
The lack of moisture in the past few weeks has prompted the Drayton Valley/Brazzau County Fire Services to impose a partial fire ban on the area.

Under a partial fire ban all open burning, even those with permits, is prohibited. Fires in approved fire pits are still allowed. However, Deputy Fire Chief Murray Galavan said the fire services will continue to monitor the situation and a full fire ban might be imposed if conditions

remain dry. Approved fire pits include barbecues or fire pits that are a minimum of three metres from buildings, property lines and combustible materials, constructed of bricks, cement blocks, heavy gauge metal or non-combustible materials. The pit must not have gaps that would allow fire to escape, such as individually arranged stones. In order to be considered an approved fire pit the pit must also have a spark arrester mesh screen over the fire at all times and the diameter of the pit can be no more than 32 inches.

Any time residents or visitors are enjoying a fire in an approved fire pit fire services is reminding them to be very cautious. Never leave the fire unattended and be sure to completely extinguish it. The standard practice is to soak the fire and embers, stir the contents of

the pit and then thoroughly soak it with water again. To stay up to date on the status of the fire ban residents can go online to www.brazzau.ab.ca/www.draytonvalley.ca, or www.dvfa.com.

NEXT GENERATION GETS A TASTE OF FIREFIGHTING
Last week marked the inaugural year for the Kids Firefighting Camp in Breton. From July 15-16 13 children from the Breton area took part in the day camp run by the Drayton Valley/Brazzau County Fire Services.

This was the first year the camp was run at Station No. 2 in Breton. The Station No. 1 installation of the Kids Firefighting Camp will run from Aug. 18-22 and is full with 32 children from age eight-11 signed up to take part in four days of activities.

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Rain doesn't stop the fun

Many gathered at Willey West Campground for a day of outdoor activities in celebration of Parks Day.

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

Despite the rainy morning on July 19 people came together with their life jackets to paddle down the river, while some chose to try their hand at the art of archery.

The Parks Day Adaptive Parkland Challenge was held in the Eagle Point Provincial Park and Blue Rapids Recreation Area where two events were combined in one.

The first event is Parks Day which is an annual event celebrating Alberta Parks throughout the province of course. And the Adaptive Parkland Challenge is an event that encourages people with both mental and physical disabilities to come out and access the park and participate in all the activities that we're hosting today," said Environmental Education Co-ordinator with Eagle Point Blue Rapids Parks Council Ruby Anderson.

Paddling down the river, archery and ATV groups were registered in the morning along with pet boat tours.

"This year, we have a new event which is the jet boat tours with the West Central River Boat Association," said Anderson.

Despite the weather, about half of those who had registered showed up. "The initial number, we had was close to 80 registrants, so I would say now we probably have about 40 or 50 people actually come in this morning," she said.

Paddling down the river was one of the popular events, along with ATV's. "The paddle down the river is sure is popular, I think it's a tie between the paddle and the ATV rides," she said.

"We will do about a four hour paddle with a stop halfway through for lunch, I guess it's about 60 kilometres," said the Elaine Tamboline, president of the Drayton Valley Paddling Club, who was helping with the event.

"This is our annual event, and this is our fifth year so far. And it gets bigger every year. I think that's the sign of its success," said Tamboline.

Later in the evening a barbecue was held that was open to the community, along with a nature-based presentation from one of the Alberta Parks staff members.

Anderson said the event was possible thanks to all the recreational organizations that helped and made the event a success.



Mamta Lulla Western Review

TOP: Paddlers and passengers prepare for their ride on July 19. BOTTOM: Drayton Valley Paddling Club president Elaine Tamboline gives a quick safety lesson before heading into the water.



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Safety gear, anyone?

AHS says use of helmets can reduce injuries up to 85 per cent

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

Now that the sun is shining, children and youth can be seen out and about riding their bikes or around the skatepark, but not all of them wear the safety gear that would be needed for the summer fun.

Mason Ellington, 17, who often BMXs at the 4-S Skatepark said he doesn't use a helmet because he doesn't feel like he needs one.

Sitting by his side was 16-year-old Zach Horton who agreed.

"I don't wear helmets at all. They're annoying and I don't really want to waste my money on one. I have never hurt my head, I've been doing this for three years. I've broken my wrist and broken my ankle but never my head," he said.

When asked what was his take on helmets

The duo pointed to a sign at the 4-S Skatepark that

states safety gear is recommended, pointing out it's not enforced.

I don't want to get concussions. I had two concussions already.

Kevin Kuyek

While it is the law for children and youth under the age of 18 to wear bicycle helmets, there is no such mandatory usage for helmets in other activities such as skateboarding, said Drayton Valley RCMP Cpl. Marcia McDermott.

Those on bicycles are required by law to wear their helmets on their bikes at all times, whether on the road or at a skate park, she added noting that tickets can be issued, although RCMP prefer to take a proactive educational role on the impor-

tant of wearing the protective equipment.

Eleven-year-old Kevin Kuyek who wears helmets while at the skatepark said he does so to avoid injuries.

"I don't want to get concussions. I had two concussions already," he said adding that it is his decision to wear helmets.

Fifteen-year-old Grayson Kuyek wears helmets and confirmed his parents push him into wearing one and he pushes himself too.

McDermott said police try to promote the use of safety equipment for all activities through encouragement and education.

When it comes to helmets, she said McDermott notes that most children learn by example, so it's important for people of all ages to wear helmets.

Dr. Digby Horne is one of the three medical officers in the Central Zone with the Alberta Health Services. He said wearing helmets can reduce injuries by 85 per cent.

"When things do go wrong they help," he said.

"I know you could get killed with a helmet on, but in general it does reduce injuries," he added.

Look out for lightning

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

Drayton Valley has made it onto a striking top 10 list.

Fortis Alberta has released its hotspot list for lightning strikes in 2013 and Drayton Valley came in at number nine. The area made the list with 1.84 strikes per square kilometre.

Lightning season is underway and will remain active until September. Fortis Alberta owns a monitor that detects and tracks and that's where

we get our data from and we calculate it and release our top 10 (list)," said communications advisor at Fortis Alberta Natasha Russell.

St. Albert has been ranked in the top spot with Spruce Grove, followed by Sherwood Park, Fort Saskatchewan, in that order.

Drayton Valley came in the 16th place in 2012 and in the seventh place in 2011.

The list is derived on the basis of number of strikes per square kilometre. Fortis Alberta has

118,000 kilometres of overhead power lines which can be disrupted when lightning strikes the resulting into power outages. Last year, it recorded about 216,000 strikes for 55 of its service points.

"We build lightning protection equipment, called arresters, into our distribution system to help minimize outages, but Mother Nature remains our greatest challenge," said Fortis Alberta in a release.

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news

Summer activities to boost healthy families

Spent time together doing a family activity

Kristin Russell
Healthy Families Program

It's summer and school is out, so now what? If you're not going away on vacation and the children are not registered into one of the many summer camp programs offered in the area, what fun activities can you do as a family that won't break the bank?

Well, here are a few ideas for those great sunny days:

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- Go fishing
- Make giant bubbles
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Changing of the grouch in Evansburg

PV Daze Committee

It's time for Evansburg to get a fresh injection of grouchiness as the annual campaign for the Evansburg Grouch is underway. The history of the Grouch starts in 1974 when the village chamber of commerce decided to build a sign to greet visitors, and gave the project to John Lauer.

John used his imagination to put words on the sign that would amuse the reader's interest – "Thirsty Village, Clean Air, Fresh Water, and Friendly People." He had a little room left at the bottom of the sign and decided to post the population numbers.

In an attempt to bolster the numbers of the small village, he decided to add the pet population. Through a series of calculations he determined the likely population of the dogs and cats. After declaring earlier that the village had friendly people, he felt he needed to be a bit more truthful. He admitted that this

- Have a barbecue
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- Paint rocks
- Throw a frisbee
- Go for a hike
- Go on a picnic
- Build a fort
- Make a bed feeder
- Ride your bike
- Watch for shooting stars at night or images in the clouds during the day
- Make sand castles at the beach
- Enjoy the parks and by a lake
- On those rainy days you can:
- Make a pillow fort
- Make ice cube slushies
- Make macarons or meringues
- Write a story or perform a play
- Have a piñata day
- Have a NO electronics day
- Do some finger painting or other type of crafts
- Bake some cookies
- Make an indoor obstacle course
- Have a fashion show with

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- Play hide and seek
- Read a book
- Make your own movie
- Make Popicles or home made ice cream
- Have a game night
- Make paper airplanes or "cool art" pin dough
- Have a magic or puppet show
- Make a cereal necklace
- Have a pillow fight

Make time for family time with simple activities the children will remember. An old Chinese proverb says, "A family in harmony will prosper in everything," so do some fun activities as a family and see just how this play will inspire your family's communication, sense of acceptance, affection, support, commitment, resilience and overall happiness.

For information on the McMan Youth, Family and Community Services Healthy Families Program please contact Maria Russell at 780-542-3713.

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advice

Overqualified, or is there more to that no?

Dear Working Wile:

I recently applied for an Accounting Clerk position with a local car dealership, but during the interview they told me I was overqualified. I have just completed my MBA plus I have some related experience. The fact is, though, I need a job. Do you have any advice?

Signed, Eager to work

— Lisa Kagan

Hiring managers tell candidates they are overqualified for a lot of reasons besides the fact that they are overqualified.

They may be trying to avoid telling you that they don't think you'll fit into their corporate culture, that you didn't make a good first impression, or that you looked better on paper than you did in person.

Employers also have a host of reasons that they hesitate hiring people they really do perceive as being overqualified.

They may be concerned about you will:

- Expect a quick promotion.
- Want more money than other applicants.
- Leave as soon as you find a better job.
- Have had performance issues at your last job.

- Become bored with the job too quickly.
- Be unhappy working for someone younger or less experienced.

However, there are many good reasons people apply for jobs that they are overqualified for including:

- New graduates with a lot of education, but limited experience.
- Recent immigrants who need Canadian work experience or need to support themselves while they earn their Canadian credentials.
- Changes in your personal life, including child care, elder care and family relocation.
- Desire for less responsibility/over-time and a better work-life balance.
- Desire to change careers or work after retirement.
- Here are some tips to help you reassure employers and get them excited about hiring you:
- Target your resume to the position and company's needs — keep it to two pages or less.
- Use your cover letter to talk about how this position fits into your long-term career plans.
- Focus on how your experience or

education will benefit the organization.

- Be ready for the question, "Aren't you overqualified for this job?" Explain why you want this job, e.g., new career direction, new industry, new skills, excited about the company, attracted by the job duties, need Canadian work experience, or you are looking for better work-life balance, etc.
- Show your excitement for the job, how you can contribute, and how this move makes sense in your career path.
- Ask the interviewer (s) if they have any remaining doubts that you are the perfect person for this job. Use this opportunity to address any outstanding concerns that they might have and reassure them that you plan to make this appointment a long-term success.
- If you want any other job search tips or advice on being overqualified, check out the tip sheets on the Alberta Learning Information Service (ALIS) web site at <http://alis.alberta.ca>. Good luck!
- Do you have a work-related question? Send your questions to Working Wile, at charles.strachey@sunmedia.ca. Charles Strachey is a regional manager with Alberta Human Services. This column is provided for general information.



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When employers say someone is too qualified for a position it isn't the only reason they might be saying no. From a higher expected wage, to the possibility of a difficult employee, there could be more than your experience and skills deterring possible future employers.

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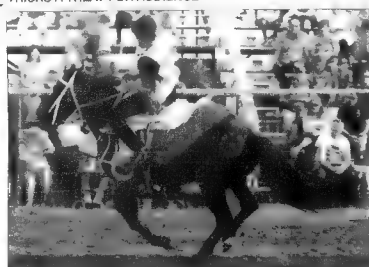
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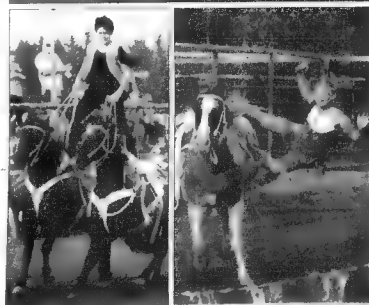
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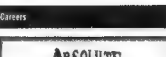
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The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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7	5	3	4	2	1	6	8	9
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9	4	2	8	4	6	1	7	3

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ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, you have had little luck regarding relationships of late. Rather than focus on what hasn't gone your way, change your perspective and focus on the good things.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, adopt an analytical approach: solve a puzzling situation at work this week. This way of looking at things just what you need to find the right solution.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, you can be pretty stubborn when it comes to something that matters dearly to you. No matter your feelings, be sure to listen to the advice of others.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Your imagination is ready to run wild this week, Scorpio. Enjoy this burst of creative energy and put it to good use. Encourage others to participate as well.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, be a shoulder to cry on for a beloved friend or family member this week. Everything will ultimately work out for the best, but your loved one needs support this week.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Be mindful of what you say and do this week, Cancer. Your head may be telling you to speak up, but your heart is telling you to stay quiet for a little while longer.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, express yourself when asked for your honest opinion this week. Keeping things close to the vest is not what people want to see, so don't

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, enjoy the noisiness around you this week. This extra hop in your step is refreshing and encourages you to make

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
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You can also use drip irrigation or a soaker hose to deliver water directly to the roots, as opposed to a spray type sprinkler.

For grass, you may still need a sprinkler, but you can make those more effective too, by avoiding hard surfaces and sprinkling slowly, which prevents runoff and waste.

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If you're considering a new garden or additional landscaping, you have a great opportunity to save water while beautifying your property, and even reduce the effort needed to maintain it. Designing your lawn and garden for water efficiency involves taking local climate and soil conditions into account and choosing the right plants for the right locations.

It is important to consider the specific conditions of your yard and taking into account sunny and shady spots, existing plants and your own space needs and design around those elements. Questions to consider may include: Will a building or large tree prevent some plants from getting enough sunlight? Will sandy soil prevent some plants from flourishing? Are there slopes and depressions in the soil that tend to channel or concentrate water flow? And

where do you and your family want to rest, play, or work? Are there high-traffic areas that could benefit from a stone or pebble pathway instead of worn-out turf?

With that in mind, you may find that you need to adapt some of the existing conditions through landscaping, transplanting, fertilizing, or mixing soil types, before you can begin selecting plants.

A key point is to select plants that can thrive where you place them: exotic plants can be showy, but if they are not adapted to your local climate, it will take more work to keep them growing. Using local or harder varieties will save considerable effort and water. You can also consider where water will flow when deciding where to plant, and group plants that have similar needs for water and shade, to simplify watering and care.

These are only a few tips on saving water; there are many techniques to keep your property lush during even the driest times. To find out more, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) has an About Your House fact sheet called Water-Saving Tips for Your Lawn and Garden. Download your free copy at www.cmhc.ca.

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never leave home without setting their alarm system.

Breaking and entering, for the most part, isn't rocket science. If a burglar didn't come in through the conventional way of sliding open an unsecured window or door, chances are he or she made their grand entrance by force, but this clearly was not the case.

Other than that, you do occasionally hear of thefts from homes through a combination of stolen keys, garage remotes and car insurance documents, but again this is not what happened to these folks.

So what kind of home break-in was this? How did the thieves get into the home without leaving any signs of entry?

In order to understand what happened, we need to realize that not every break-in is executed in a conventional way. Often thieves use unorthodox methods of entry.

These poor unsuspecting folks were victims of an unorthodox burglary. The burglar actually entered the couple's home via an unsecured crawl space hatch located on the outside of the home.

Once in the crawl space the crook found his way to an unsecured hatch door that led to the laundry room inside the house. The burglar knew his theft would go undetected when he left the same way he entered.

When the homeowners got a call from the alarm company and arrived home, there were no signs of forcible entry.

The unfortunate part of this story is the homeowners secured every place a conventional burglar would have broken into. But they forgot to check the weakness in their crawl space.

This is why it's important to have a security consultant check your home, for not only the conventional burglar but the unorthodox crook as well. I always say the hardest thief to catch is the one who thinks outside the box.

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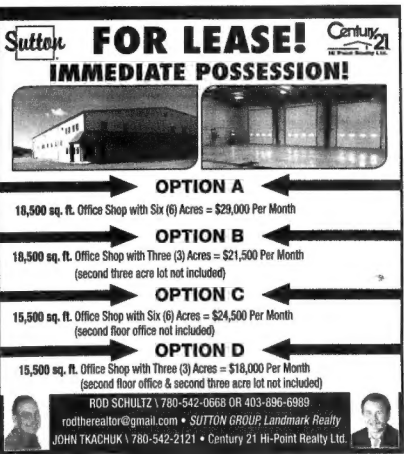
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